

Subject(s): a) 1851 U.S. gold dollar - valuation

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b) technique to remove solder from coins

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Mr. Howland Woods,
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New York, N.Y.,

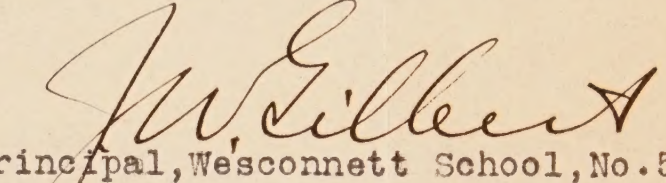
Dear Sir,

I will appreciate very much information on the following points:

- (1) What is the value of a gold dollar of 1851?
- (2) What is the best way to remove solder from coins. I have several that have been used as pins and ornaments at one time. The coins so mutilated are gold coins of both domestic and foreign coinage.

Thanking you in advance for your kindness in this matter and assuring you of my willingness to serve you, I beg to remain,

Yours very truly,


Principal, Wesconnett School, No. 57.

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Dec. 17, 1930

Mr. J.W. Gilbert
2044 Delwood Avenue
Jacksonville, Fla.

Dear Sir:

Responding to your letter of the 15th, your gold dollar of 1851 is worth about \$1.50.

As to removing solder from coins, this is rather a delicate job. If it is soft solder it can be done fairly well with a blow pipe and Bunson flame, wiping the solder off carefully as it melts. If the solder is hard you are liable to injure the coin. We try to remove the most objectionable parts with a file.

I hope this information will prove satisfactory to you.

Very truly yours,

Curator.